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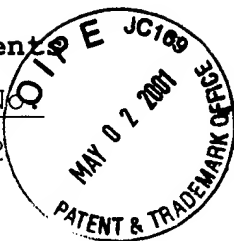
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For the Examiner's convenience, the applicants have also enclosed a completed modified form PTO-SB/08A.

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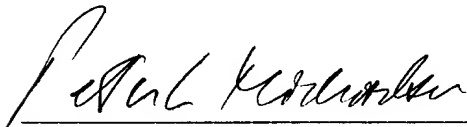
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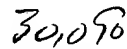
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